

12. (new) The system of Claim 1 where the Collection Manager provides for forming collections through searches.

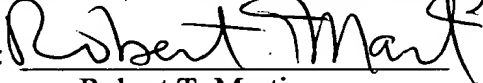
13. (new) The system of Claim 1 supporting construction of semantic overlays.

Remarks

The application was filed with claims 1 - 5. The claims have been amended and 8 new dependent claims added. A clean copy of the claims is attached.

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1. A system for organizing information across external information objects comprising:

An Item Manager for creating items representing external information objects,

A Collection Manager for creating and manipulating collections of items,

A Story Editor based on a narrative grammar for incorporating items and collections into the narrative grammar forming a story,

A Diagram Editor for incorporating items and collections and interactions into a graphical representation of a story, and

An Object Editor for adding and/or manipulating annotations to objects, items, collections, stories, interactions, and graphical representations of stories.

2. The system of Claim 1 where annotations contain text, data, pointers to external objects, or pointers to external data.

3. The system of Claim 1 where the Item Manager additionally supports the display and annotation of items.

4. The system of Claim 1 where the Collection Manager additionally supports the display and annotation of collections.

5. The system of Claim 1 where the Story Editor additionally supports the display and annotation of collections.

6. The system of Claim 1 where the Diagram Editor additionally supports the display and annotation of collections.

7. The system of Claim 1 where collections may include other collections.

8. The system of Claim 1 where an update made to a component such as an item, collection, or story is automatically reflected in connected components.

9. The system of Claim 1 where the deletion of an item also deletes that item from collections, stories, and diagrams which include the item.

10. The system of Claim 1 wherein a web page is generated for each item, collection, and story element.

11. The system of Claim 10 wherein the generated web pages contain links to other items, collections, story elements, and diagram elements referenced.

12. The system of Claim 1 where the Collection Manager provides for forming collections through searches.

13. The system of Claim 1 supporting construction of semantic overlays.
